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## Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education

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TO: Missouri Advisory Council of Certification for Educators (MACCE)

FROM: Rusty Rosenkoetter

MACCE, Executive Secretary

SUBJECT: Meeting Cancellation

As you know, the Department recently submitted a comprehensive and ambitious application for federal Race to the Top funding. Commissioner Nicastro has stated that, whether or not Missouri's application is approved for funding, the Department is going to frame its work to align with these assurances (reform) areas and the initiatives outlined in our proposal.

As work surrounding these re-alignment efforts unfolds, there will be ample opportunities for MACCE to be engaged and provide valuable insight into these efforts. Currently, the Department is working on an implementation timeline and order of tasks/duties.

Due to these re-alignment efforts, we ask MACCE to temporarily hold its work and scheduled meetings until we have a clearer picture of how the Department and MACCE will move forward in our shared work.

Thank you for your commitment to Missouri's schoolchildren.